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AGENCY: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Office of Environmental Justice

TITLE: Environmental Justice Small Grants Program

ACTION: Request for Applications (RFA) Amendment

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SUMMARY: This notice is issued to amend the Environmental Justice Small Grants Program Request for Applications (RFA). Amendments include the listing of entities ineligible to receive an award under this RFA, language under the "Qualified Environmental Statutes" section as it relates to eligibility of proposed activities under this RFA and applicant eligibility language as it appears on the "One-Page Threshold Eligibility Form." Please note the amended language in bold. This amendment supersedes all previous versions.

The above amendments are found accordingly:

1. Pages 2 and Page 6 (Section III – Eligibility Information) is amended as follows:

From: "The following entities are INELIGIBLE to receive a grant. However, we encourage partnerships with these organizations for technical assistance: colleges and universities, hospitals, state governments and their entities, quasi-governmental entities (e.g., water districts, utilities), national organizations and their chapters, multi-state organizations, non-profit organizations described in Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engage in lobbying activities as defined in Section 3 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 are not eligible to apply and organizations acting only as "fiscal agents"

To: "The following entities are INELIGIBLE to receive a grant. However, we encourage partnerships with these organizations for technical assistance: colleges and universities, hospitals, state **and local governments** and their entities, quasi-governmental entities (e.g., water districts, utilities), national organizations and their chapters, multi-state organizations, non-profit organizations described in Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engage in lobbying activities as defined in Section 3 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 are not eligible to apply and organizations acting only as "fiscal agents"

2. Page 4 (C. Qualified Environmental Statutes, listing number 3) is amended as follows:

From: "Solid Waste Disposal Act, Section 8001(a): conduct and promote the coordination of research, investigations, experiments, training, demonstration projects, surveys, public education programs, and studies relating to solid waste (e.g., health and welfare effects of exposure to materials present in solid waste and methods to eliminate such effects)."

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3. Appendix A: EJSG One-page Threshold Eligibility Form (Number 1, "Applicant Eligibility") is amended as follows:

From: "Applicant Eligibility. Incorporated non-profit organizations including, but not limited to, environmental justice networks, faith based organizations and those affiliated with religious institutions"

To: "Applicant Eligibility. Incorporated non-profit organizations including, but not limited to, environmental justice networks, faith based organizations and those affiliated with religious institutions; federally recognized tribal governments; or tribal organizations... "The following entities are INELIGIBLE to receive a grant. However, we encourage partnerships with these organizations for technical assistance: colleges and universities, hospitals, state and local governments and their entities, quasi-governmental entities (e.g., water districts, utilities), national organizations and their chapters, multi-state organizations, non-profit organizations described in Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engage in lobbying activities as defined in Section 3 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 are not eligible to apply and organizations acting only as "fiscal agents"

 $4. \ \ All \ other \ terms \ and \ conditions \ remain \ unchanged.$